

The gasoline engines in use in the United States represent 55,000,000 horsepower—two and a half times the steam power of locomotives, stationary engines and all!

Something must be done. We must find some other fuel, we must get more gasoline out of the oil—or we must have a different kind of motor, or we must find the leak in the present system.

The gas engine business should organize on the fuel question — or soon there will be no gas engine business.

### —o—o— UNEMPLOYED DISCUSS THEIR LIVING PROBLEMS

Nearly 200 men met Sunday afternoon in Iron Workers' hall to challenge the trust press "prosperity" campaign and discuss ways and means to help the unemployed situation. The few that gathered was blamed by Chairman John Veltman, on the fact that Hull House had agreed to let unemployed league use Bowen hall and the league advertised it, after which Hull House, through Ellen Gates Starr, withdrew permission for the unemployed to meet in that hall because their advertising contained a black flag on a red background, with the word "Hunger."

"We had to advertise this meeting twice," Veltman said. "Hull House believes it dangerous to let us assemble there—we men who are trying to help you solve the problem of your unemployment—because they feared there might be trouble similar to that started not by us, but by the coppers last year."

Michael Walsh and others of the speakers expressed their opinion of the Mrs. Rowe public welfare municipal lodging house plan frankly.

"Five hundred men one night when the thermometer stood 8 below zero applied at that house and were told if they would promise to saw wood the next day for three hours in that cold they could have a flop and band-

house grub. And if they were real good they would be permitted to go to work on the ice field for \$1.25 a day. Nothing was said about giving them caps or mittens or shoes that they must have or freeze for that kind of work. In their tissue paper clothing they were expected to work in the ice fields and if they got pneumonia go to a charity hospital and die and be buried in a pauper's field.

"Eighty per cent of the men past 40 are on the scrap-heap and cannot get jobs. The free employment agency looks at a man to see if he has gray hair and if he has he gets no work. I know. I have been there, and I am just past 40."

George Du Wall, who just returned from Mexico, warned men who would make no protest against their condition of unemployment today that in a year from now with the preparedness policy they must be lined up with guns thrust in their hands to fight for their masters.

"You workers who think you are educated are only educated that you may read what your masters put in the newspapers for you to read," he said. "You run your fingers under their printed lies as a needle runs on the record of a graphophone."

William Thurston Brown declared he believed the unemployed problem could only be solved when workers met together and studied sociology in order to understand conditions which they must battle and that industrial workers of world must unite to gain possession of things upon which they depend for a living and change the system so that industry is controlled by those who work in the industry.

Fred Isler, George Rogers and other speakers advocated organization of the unemployed. Another mass meeting will be held soon.

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Sir—The storm scene was so real in a five-reeler we attended the other night that my corns began to ache.—  
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